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A.—(*a*) It is presumed that the hon. Member refers to the selection grade of Deputy Inspectors and the first grade of School Assistants. There have been 70 vacancies in both the cadres since the introduction of the time-scales of pay.

(*b*) Of the above vacancies 6 were filled by Muslims, 61 by members of other communities and 3 have been left unfilled under the orders of Government.

Number of Muslims getting Rs. 150 *in the selection grade of the Subordinate Educational Service.*

*1288 *Q.*—Mr. ABDUL HAMID KHAN: Will the hon the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state the number of fully qualified Muslims who are drawing a salary of Rs. 150 and the period of time for which they have been drawing that pay without getting into the selection grade ?

A.—It is presumed that the hon. Member refers to Muhammadan officers in the cadres of Deputy Inspectors of Schools and School Assistants. There are 13 Muhammadan officers in the above two cadres who are now drawing Rs. 150, four of whom are fully qualified for promotion to the selection grade. Of these four, three have been drawing Rs. 150 for over four years and one for over three years.

Facilities for trained graduates to appear for the B.Ed. Examination.

*1289 *Q.*—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government are aware of the fact that the Andhra University has afforded facilities to trained graduates now in service to appear for the B.ED. Examination privately ;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that the Director of Public Instruction is insisting upon trained graduates in service to undergo regular training in a college and become graduates in education ; and

(*c*) if the answers to (*a*) and (*b*) be in the affirmative, whether the Government will exempt them from regular training in a college in view of the facilities afforded by the Andhra University ?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) It is presumed that by the term 'trained graduates' the hon. Member refers to teachers who at first underwent lower grade training and who subsequently passed the B.A. Degree examination. If this presumption is correct, the answer to clauses (*a*) and (*b*) is in the affirmative.

(*c*) The Government see no reason to interfere with the discretion vested in the Director of Public Instruction in the matter.

Alleged ineligibility of secondary-grade trained teachers for promotion to the senior grade.

*1290 *Q.*—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether only L.T.'s are considered eligible for promotion to the senior grades of the Deputy Inspectorate ;